

d. EYEGLASSES

Eyeglasses and other optical devices are available to EPSDT eligible recipients. The amount, duration and scope of services are described in Optometric Services, Section 6.b. of this Attachment.

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AMOUNT, DURATION AND SCOPE OF MEDICAL
AND REMEDIAL CARE AND SERVICES PROVIDED TO THE CATEGORICALLY NEEDY

b. Screening services

☒ Provided ☐ No limitations ☒ With limitations*
☐ Not provided

c. Preventive services

☒ Provided ☐ No limitations ☒ With limitations*
☐ Not provided

d. Rehabilitative services

☒ Provided ☐ No limitations ☒ With limitations*
☐ Not provided

14. Services for individuals age 65 or older in institutions for mental diseases.

a. Inpatient hospital services

☐ Provided ☐ No limitations ☐ With limitations*
☒ Not provided

b. Nursing facility services

☐ Provided ☐ No limitations ☐ With limitations*
☒ Not provided

* Description provided on attachment.

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13. a) DIAGNOSTIC, b) SCREENING, c) PREVENTIVE SERVICES

Diagnostic, screening and preventive services provided by a physician or other licensed practitioner of the healing arts, within the scope of their practice under State law, are provided by qualified providers to all eligible recipients to promote physical and mental health and efficiency.

- 1.) Diagnostic services include medical procedures or supplies recommended by a physician or other licensed practitioner of the healing arts within the scope of his practice that enable him to identify the existence, nature or extent of illness, injury or other health deviation.
- 2.) Screening services include standardized tests performed under medical direction by qualified health care professionals to a designated population to detect the existence of one or more particular diseases.
- 3.) Preventive services include services provided by a physician or other licensed practitioners of the healing arts within the scope of practice under State law to
 - a) prevent disease, disability and other health conditions or their progression
 - b) prolong life and c) promote physical and mental health and efficiency.

Qualified providers must meet the standards approved by the Department and contained in Sections 106 and Chapter 600 of the Diagnostic, Screening and Preventive Services program policy manual.

Non-Covered Services

adjunctive services provided in a nursing facility or institutional setting;

home visits;

services provided by a portable X-ray service;

family planning services;

laboratory services; and,

experimental services or procedures or those which are not recognized by the profession or the U.S. Public Health Service as universally accepted treatment.

Services not covered in the physician program except where determined to be medically necessary for EPSDT eligible children.

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13d. Rehabilitative Services

The covered rehabilitative services for the Children's Intervention Services program are audiology, nursing, occupational therapy, physical therapy, counseling and speech-language pathology which include any medical or remedial services recommended by a physician or other licensed practitioner of the healing arts, within the scope of his/her practice under State law, and are provided by a licensed practitioner of the healing arts to EPSDT eligible recipients (ages 0-21) to promote the maximum reduction of physical disability or developmental delay and/or restoration of a recipient to his/her best possible functional level.

The services are defined as follows:

- **Audiology Services**
Audiological testing; fitting and evaluation of hearing aids.
- **Nursing Services**
Skilled intermittent nursing care to administer medications or treatments. The care provided is necessary for the maximum reduction of the beneficiaries' physical and/or mental disability and restoration to the best possible functional level.
- **Occupational Therapy Services**
Occupational therapy evaluation of gross and fine motor development and clinical services related to activities of daily living and adaptive equipment needs.
- **Physical Therapy Services**
Physical therapy evaluation of neuromotor development and clinical services related to improvement of gait, balance and coordination skills.
- **Counseling Services**
Evaluation of the social and emotional impact of the child's physical disability and/or developmental delay on the child and family and the provision of counseling services to resolve those barriers to effective treatment of the child's medical condition.
- **Speech-Language Pathology Services**
Speech-language evaluation of auditory processing, expressive and receptive language and language therapy.

Limitations

The covered services are available only to the EPSDT eligible recipients (ages 0-21) with a written service plan which contains medically necessary services recommended by a physician or other licensed practitioner of the healing arts, within the scope of his/her practice under State law.

Provider enrollment is open only to individual practitioners who are licensed in Georgia under their respective licensing board as a licensed audiologist, registered nurse, occupational therapist, physical therapist, clinical social worker, or speech-language pathologist. For annual re-enrollment beginning July 1, 1996, all providers must obtain a minimum of one (1) continuing education credit annually in pediatrics in their area of professional practice.

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Services which exceed the limitations listed in the policies and procedures manual must be approved prior to service delivery.

Non-Covered services

1. Habilitative Services
2. Services provided to children who do not have a written service plan;
3. Services provided in excess of those indicated in the written service plan;
4. Services provided to a child who has been admitted to a hospital or other institutional setting as an in-patient;
5. Service of an experimental or research nature;
6. Services in excess of those deemed medically necessary by the Department, its agents or the federal government, or for services not directly related to the child's diagnosis, symptoms or medical history;
7. Failed appointments or attempts to provide a home visit when the child is not at home;
8. Services normally provided free of charge to indigent patients;
9. Private duty nursing care; and
10. Services provided by individuals other than the enrolled licensed practitioner of the healing arts.
11. Services provided for temporary disabilities which would reasonably be expected to improve spontaneously as the patient gradually resumes normal activities.
12. Audiology services that are a part of the Health Check (formerly EPSDT) Services will not be reimbursed by the Children's Intervention Services Program.

Billing for more than one travel fee per location when more than one patient is treated.

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Non-Covered services

1. Habilitative Services;
2. Services provided to children who do not have a written service plan;
3. Services provided in excess of those indicated in the written service plan;
4. Services provided to a child who has been admitted to a hospital or other institutional setting as an in-patient;
5. Service of an experimental or research nature;
6. Services in excess of those deemed medically necessary by the Department, its agents or the federal government, or for services not directly related to the child's diagnosis, symptoms or medical history;
7. Failed appointments or attempts to provide a home visit when the child is not at home;
8. Services normally provided free of charge to indigent patients;
9. Private duty nursing care; and
10. Services provided by individuals other than the enrolled licensed practitioner of the healing arts

Addendum to 13d Rehabilitative Services

• Nutrition Services

Nutritional evaluation to assess nutritional history, dietary intake, feeding behavior and environment, food habits and preferences and the development of a plan to address a child's nutritional needs.

Rehabilitative Services (continued) - Schools

The medically necessary rehabilitative services that are documented in the Individual Education Plan (IEP) or Individualized Family Service Plan (IFSP) and/or ordered by a physician may be provided in the school setting.

The schools will share the service limits listed in Attachment 3.1-A, 13d of this Plan with community providers. Prior approval for medical necessity is available if the limits are exceeded and additional services are necessary by either the school or community providers.

The Department will require the school system to verify that the school-based treating therapists meet the federal requirements as well as the state licensing board requirements for each discipline. The school system will assure that only qualified individuals will bill Medicaid for services.

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13d.1 – Community Mental Health Rehabilitative Services

“The covered Community Mental Health Rehabilitative Services will be available to all Medicaid eligibles who are medically determined to need mental health or drug abuse/alcohol abuse services. These services must be recommended by a physician or other practitioner of the healing arts and furnished by or under the direction of a physician, within the scope of his/her practice under State law, to promote the maximum reduction and/or restoration of a recipient to his/her best possible functional level.”

The services are briefly defined as follows:

Initial Screening and Referral. This service is the initial gathering of information to identify the needs of a person seeking services and to provide information or make an appropriate referral. The intent of the service is to ascertain whether or not the individual is in need of full behavioral health diagnostic assessment and potential access to the full behavioral health services array within this program. Initial Screening and Referral services are delivered under the supervision of a Mental Health Professional or a Substance Abuse Professional (SAP). Provider qualifications to provide these services and staff competency are ensured by provider compliance with requirements and standards of the national accreditation Joint Commission on Accreditation for Healthcare Organizations (JCAHO), Council on Accreditation for Rehabilitation Facilities (CARF), Council on Accreditation of Services for Family and Children, Inc. (COA), Council on Quality Leadership (CQL), Department of Human Resources (DHR) certification (Compliance, Quality and Information Management System Section), and internal quality assurance programming. When indicated, providers and staff are required to meet all applicable licensure and certification requirements, hold a current license and adhere to scope of practice definitions of licensure boards.

Diagnostic/Functional Assessment. Individuals access this service when it has been determined through Initial Screening and Referral that the person has behavioral health needs. This process includes a face-to-face interview with the consumer and family to determine the consumer's problems and strengths, to develop a differential diagnosis, to identify the disability(ies), to determine functional level, to determine natural supports, to perform a formal evaluation, or to develop an individualized service plan. This service has as the outcomes, extensive social and medical histories, symptoms/strengths/needs identification, comprehensive clinical evaluations and proposed individualized services planning. The information gleaned during this process will be one foundation of the physician's assessment. Provider qualifications to provide these services and staff competency are ensured by provider compliance with requirements and standards of the national accreditation Joint Commission on Accreditation for Healthcare Organizations (JCAHO), Council on Accreditation for Rehabilitation Facilities (CARF), Council on Accreditation of Services for Family and Children, Inc. (COA), Council on Quality Leadership (CQL), Department of Human Resources (DHR) certification (Compliance,

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Quality and Information Management System Section), and internal quality assurance programming. When indicated, providers and staff are required to meet all applicable licensure and certification requirements, hold a current license and adhere to scope of practice definitions of licensure boards.

Clinic-Based Crisis Management. The intervention or crisis management service provides clinic-based assessment and intervention to individuals in an active state of crisis (24 hours per day, 7 days per week). Immediate response is to conduct a thorough assessment of risk, mental status, and medical stability, and if necessary, to immediately intervene to de-escalate the crisis. Intervention consist of rapid response to evaluate and screen the presenting situation, assistance in immediate crisis resolution and ensuring the consumer's access into/back to the continuum of care at the appropriate level. The services are aimed at benefiting consumers in need of mental health and/or drug abuse/alcohol abuse services. Each provider is required to offer non-billable telephone and face-to-face crisis management services 24 hours a day 7 days a week. This allows consumers immediate access to initial screening and referral if necessary for immediate crisis services either in the clinic or out-of-clinic as medically necessary. Provider qualifications to provide these services and staff competency are ensured by provider compliance with requirements and standards of the national accreditation Joint Commission on Accreditation for Healthcare Organizations (JCAHO), Council on Accreditation for Rehabilitation Facilities (CARF), Council on Accreditation of Services for Family and Children, Inc. (COA), Council on Quality Leadership (CQL). Department of Human Resources (DHR) certification (Compliance, Quality and Information Management System Section), and internal quality assurance programming. When indicated, providers and staff are required to meet all applicable licensure and certification requirements, hold a current license and adhere to scope of practice definitions of licensure boards.

Out-of-Clinic Crisis Management. This service provides mobile assessment to individuals in an active state of crisis (24 hours per day, 7 days per week) and can occur in a variety of settings including the consumer's home, local emergency department, etc. It does not include transportation time to and from clinic/hospital and community settings. Immediate response is provided to conduct a thorough assessment of risk, mental status and medical stability and immediate crisis resolution and de-escalation if necessary. The presenting crisis situation is such that is medically necessary to deliver the services in the consumer's home or natural environment setting in that the consumer does not have the resources to present at the clinic for crisis services. Provider qualifications to provide these services and staff competency are ensured by provider compliance with requirements and standards of the national accreditation (Joint Commission on Accreditation for Healthcare Organizations (JCAHO), Council on Accreditation for Rehabilitation Facilities (CARF), Council on Accreditation of Services for Family and Children, Inc. (COA), Council on Quality Leadership (CQL). Department of Human Resources (DHR) certification (Compliance, Quality and Information Management System Section), and internal quality assurance programming. When

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indicated, providers and staff are required to meet all applicable licensure and certification requirements, hold a current license and adhere to scope of practice definitions of licensure boards.

Individual Outpatient Services. This service provides therapeutic interventions by a credentialed clinician as the means or method used in delivering rehabilitative services to an individual. Rehabilitative Services are directed toward achievement of specific goals specified in the Individual Service Plan (ISP). These services will benefit individuals in need of mental health and/or drug abuse/alcohol abuse services. Services may include assisting the individual with enhancing or developing symptom/behavior management skills; may provide knowledge regarding mental health and substance abuse disorders and prescribed medications (including adherence to medication regimen); may provide specific problem solving skills and coping mechanisms; may provide knowledge of adaptive behaviors and skills; may provide assistance with interpersonal skills, or community resources and support system access. Provider qualifications to provide these services and staff competency are ensured by provider compliance with requirements and standards of the national accreditation Joint Commission on Accreditation for Healthcare Organizations (JCAHO), Council on Accreditation for Rehabilitation Facilities (CARF), Council on Accreditation of Services for Family and Children, Inc. (COA), Council on Quality Leadership (CQL), Department of Human Resources (DHR) certification (Compliance, Quality and Information Management System Section), and internal quality assurance programming. When indicated, providers and staff are required to meet all applicable licensure and certification requirements, hold a current license and adhere to scope of practice definitions of licensure boards.

Family Outpatient Services. This service is a therapeutic intervention or counseling provided by a credentialed clinician. Services are directed toward achievement of specific goals defined by the individual and specified in the Individual Service Plan (ISP). Family Counseling provides systematic interactions between the staff, consumer and consumer's family members directed toward the restoration, enhancement or maintenance of functioning of the identified consumer. Services are directed toward the achievement of the identified consumer's specific goals as defined by that individual and specified in the physician ordered Individual Service Plan (ISP). These services are aimed at benefiting and targeting the consumer's individual problems and needs. Provider qualifications to provide these services and staff competency are ensured by provider compliance with requirements and standards of the national accreditation (Joint Commission on Accreditation for Healthcare Organizations (JCAHO), Council on Accreditation for Rehabilitation Facilities (CARF), Council on Accreditation of Services for Family and Children, Inc. (COA), Council on Quality Leadership (CQL), Department of Human Resources (DHR) certification (Compliance, Quality and Information Management System Section), and internal quality assurance programming. When indicated, providers and staff are required to meet all applicable licensure and certification requirements, hold a current license and adhere to scope of practice definitions of licensure boards.

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Group Outpatient Services. Group Outpatient Services is a therapeutic intervention or counseling provided by a credentialed clinician. Services are directed toward achievement of specific goals as defined by the individual in the Individual Service Plan (ISP). Provider qualifications to provide these services and staff competency are ensured by provider compliance with requirements and standards of the national accreditation (Joint Commission on Accreditation for Healthcare Organizations (JCAHO), Council on Accreditation for Rehabilitation Facilities (CARF), Council on Accreditation of Services for Family and Children, Inc. (COA), Council on Quality Leadership (CQL), Department of Human Resources (DHR) certification (Compliance, Quality and Information Management System Section), and internal quality assurance programming. When indicated, providers and staff are required to meet all applicable licensure and certification requirements, hold a current license and adhere to scope of practice definitions of licensure boards.

Medication Administration. Medication Administration is the procedure for giving or administration of an oral or injectable medication. Medication administration includes the assessment of the consumer's physical and behavioral status and a determination to continue the medication or refer the consumer to the physician. Provider qualifications to provide these services and staff competency are ensured by provider compliance with requirements and standards of the national accreditation Joint Commission on Accreditation for Healthcare Organizations (JCAHO), Council on Accreditation for Rehabilitation Facilities (CARF), Council on Accreditation for of Services for Families and Children, Inc. (COA), Council on Quality Leadership (CQL), Department of Human Resources (DHR) certification (Compliance, Quality and Information Management System Section), and internal quality assurance programming. When indicated, providers and staff are required to meet all applicable licensure and certification requirements, hold a current license and adhere to scope of practice definitions of licensure boards.

Methadone Administration. Methadone Administration is a procedure to orally administer methadone either as a part of a detoxification or a maintenance program as a substitute for opiate-like drug addiction. Provider qualifications to provide these services and staff competency are ensured by provider compliance with requirements and standards of the national accreditation (Joint Commission on Accreditation for Healthcare Organizations (JCAHO), Council on Accreditation for Rehabilitation Facilities (CARF), Council on Accreditation for of Services for Families and Children, Inc. (COA), or Council on Quality Leadership (CQL), Department of Human Resources (DHR) certification (Compliance, Quality and Information Management System Section), and internal quality assurance programming. When indicated, providers and staff are required to meet all applicable licensure and certification requirements, hold a current license and adhere to scope of practice definitions of licensure boards.

Ambulatory Detoxification. This service is the medical management of the physical process of withdrawal from alcohol or other drugs in an outpatient setting. The services

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